- 1. A candle comprising:
 - a first portion formed of a candle base material;
- a second portion in contact with the first portion, the second portion including at least one flame retardant and being substantially resistant to burning; and a wick inside the candle.
- 2. The candle of claim 1, wherein the flame retardant is an inorganic compound, an organometallic compound, an organic compound, or a mixture thereof.
- 3. The candle of claim 1, wherein the flame retardant is liquid, solid, or semi-solid.
- 4. The candle of claim 1, wherein the flame retardant is hydrophobic silica or liquid silicone.
- 5. The candle of claim 1, wherein the flame retardant is selected from the group consisting of alumina trihydrate, magnesium hydroxide, magnesium carbonate, calcium carbonate, boric acid, antimony trioxide, and a mixture thereof.
- 6. The candle of claim 1, wherein the flame retardant is a phosphorus-containing or sulfur-containing compound.
- 7. The candle of claim 6, wherein the flame retardant is tri-(2,3-dibromopropyl) phosphate, ammonium phosphate, or bis(bromochloropropyl) bromochloropropyl phosphonate.
- 8. The candle of claim 1, wherein the flame retardant is chlorinated paraffin, polybrominated diphenyloxide, decarbromophenoxybenzene, tetrabromobisphenol A, hexabromocyclododecane, or tetrabromophthlic anhydride.
- 9. The candle of claim 1, wherein the first portion of the candle is transparent or substantially transparent.

- 10. The candle of claim 1, wherein the first portion of the candle is opaque or substantially opaque.
- 11. The candle of claim 1, wherein the first portion of the candle is translucent.
- 12. The candle of claim 1, wherein the first portion of the candle is capable of undergoing a phase transition from opaque to substantially transparent when the candle is lit.
- 13. The candle of claim 1, wherein the candle base material includes a wax.
- 14. The candle of claim 13, wherein the wax is paraffin wax, beeswax, animal wax, vegetable wax, mineral wax, synthetic wax, or a mixture thereof.
- 15. The candle of claim 1, wherein the candle base material includes a wax and a gelling agent.
- 16. The candle of claim 15, wherein the gelling agent is a di-block copolymer, tri-block copolymer, radial copolymer, star polymer, multi-block copolymer, or a mixture thereof.
- 17. The candle of claim 1, wherein the first portion of the candle further includes a hydrocarbon oil in the candle base material.
- 18. The candle of claim 1, wherein the first portion of the candle further includes an additive in the candle base material.
- 19. The candle of claim 18, wherein the additive is an antioxidant, stabilizer, fragrance, colorant, insect repellant, or a mixture thereof.

- 20. The candle of claim 1, wherein the first portion of the candle further includes an object.
- 21. The candle of claim 20, wherein the object is an insoluble star, glitter, sparkle, ribbon, or a combination thereof.
- 22. The candle of claim 1, wherein the candle is free-standing.
- 23. The candle of claim 1, wherein the candle is contained in a jar.
- 24. A self-extinguishing candle, comprising:
- a candle body formed of a paraffin wax; the candle body being opaque or substantially opaque,
 - a wick inside the candle body for sustaining a candle flame when lit, and
- a flame-resistant block in contact with one end of the candle body, the flame-resistant block including at least one flame retardant and being capable of extinguishing the candle flame after the candle body is substantially consumed by the candle flame.
- 25. A method of making a self-extinguishing candle comprising: forming a candle body from a candle base material; forming a flame-resistant block from at least one flame retardant; and joining the flame-resistant block to the candle body.
- 26. The method of claim 25, wherein the flame retardant is an inorganic compound, an organometallic compound, an organic compound, or a mixture thereof.
- 27. The method of claim 25, wherein the flame retardant is liquid, solid, or semi-solid.
- 28. The method of claim 25, wherein the flame retardant is hydrophobic silica or liquid silicone.

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- 29. The method of claim 25, wherein the flame retardant is selected from the group consisting of alumina trihydrate, magnesium hydroxide, magnesium carbonate, calcium carbonate, boric acid, antimony trioxide, and a mixture thereof.
- 30. The method of claim 25, wherein the flame retardant is a phosphorus-containing or sulfur-containing compound.
- 31. The candle of claim 30, wherein the flame retardant is tri-(2,3-dibromopropyl) phosphate, ammonium phosphate, or bis(bromochloropropyl) bromochloropropyl phosphonate.
- 32. The method of claim 25, wherein the flame retardant is chlorinated paraffin, polybrominated diphenyloxide, decarbromophenoxybenzene, tetrabromobisphenol A, hexabromocyclododecane, or tetrabromophthlic anhydride.
- 33. The method of claim 25, wherein the candle body is transparent or substantially transparent.
- 34. The method of claim 25, wherein the candle body is opaque or substantially opaque.
- 35. The method of claim 25, wherein the candle body is translucent.
- 36. The method of claim 25, wherein the candle body is capable of undergoing a phase transition from opaque to substantially transparent when the candle is lit.
- 37. The method of claim 25, wherein the candle base material includes a wax.
- 38. The candle of claim 37, wherein the wax is paraffin wax, beeswax, animal wax, vegetable wax, mineral wax, synthetic wax, or a mixture thereof.

- 39. The method of claim 25, wherein the candle base material includes a wax and a gelling agent.
- 40. The candle of claim 39, wherein the gelling agent is a di-block copolymer, tri-block copolymer, radial copolymer, star polymer, multi-block copolymer, or a mixture thereof.
- 41. The method of claim 25, wherein the candle body further includes a hydrocarbon oil in the candle base material.
- 42. The method of claim 25, wherein the candle body further includes an additive in the candle base material.
- 43. The candle of claim 42, wherein the additive is an antioxidant, stabilizer, fragrance, colorant, insect repellant, or a mixture thereof.
- 44. The method of claim 25, wherein the candle body further includes an object.
- 45. The candle of claim 44, wherein the object is an insoluble star, glitter, sparkle, ribbon, or a combination thereof.
- 46. The method of claim 25, wherein the candle is free-standing.
- 47. The method of claim 25, wherein the candle is contained in a jar.